



Ankerst June 17. 1837.

Dr. Gardiner Torrance.

(accepted)

Rev A. A. Phelps,

Dear Sir,

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Your note, informing
me of my appointment as one of the Vice Presidents
of the "Massachusetts Abolition Society," is just received,
and in reply, I will say, that I very gratefully accept
the appointment. It gives me pleasure to see an Anti-
slavery Society formed in this State, whose dignity
is not lessened by joining with the frivolous question
of "women's rights" and whose effectiveness is not re-
duced a mere nullity by giving up one of its chief
weapons, political action.

Very Respectfully Yours,

Gardiner Torrance.